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#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Background <sup>1</sup>

On November 1, 2023, the Commission published an SNPR in the **Federal Register**, proposing to issue a safety standard addressing blade-contact injuries on table saws under the Consumer Product Safety Act (CPSA; 15 U.S.C. 2051–2089), and seeking written comments. 88 FR 74909. To address the risk of blade-contact injuries on table saws, the Commission proposes a rule that would establish a performance standard that requires table saws to limit the depth of cut to no more than 3.5 millimeters when a test probe, acting as surrogate for a human finger or other body part, approaches the spinning blade at a rate of 1 meter per second (m/s). The SNPR is available at: 88 FR 74909—Safety Standard Addressing Blade-Contact Injuries on Table Saws—Content Details—2023–23898 ([govinfo.gov](https://www.govinfo.gov)), and CPSC staff's briefing package for the SNPR is available at: [https://www.cpsc.gov/s3fs-public/Federal-Register-Notice-Safety-Standard-Addressing-Blade-Contact-Injuries-on-Table-Saws-SNPR.pdf?VersionId=Ce3FOVBmbG0\\_8j.gd1h0k3VWHZZ.URw](https://www.cpsc.gov/s3fs-public/Federal-Register-Notice-Safety-Standard-Addressing-Blade-Contact-Injuries-on-Table-Saws-SNPR.pdf?VersionId=Ce3FOVBmbG0_8j.gd1h0k3VWHZZ.URw).

##### II. The Public Hearing

The Administrative Procedure Act (5 U.S.C. 551–562) and section 9 of the CPSA require the Commission to provide interested parties with an opportunity to submit “written data, views, or arguments” regarding a proposed rule. 5 U.S.C. 553(c); 15 U.S.C. 2058(d)(2). The SNPR invited such written comments. In addition, section 9 of the CPSA requires the Commission to provide interested parties “an opportunity for oral presentation of data, views, or arguments.” 15 U.S.C. 2058(d)(2). The Commission must keep a transcript of such oral presentations. *Id.* In accordance with this requirement, the Commission is providing a forum for oral presentations concerning the proposed standard.

To request the opportunity to make an oral presentation, see the information under the **DATES** and **ADDRESSES** sections

of this notice. Participants should limit their presentations to approximately 10 minutes, excluding time for questioning by the Commissioners or CPSC staff. To avoid duplicate presentations, groups should designate a spokesperson, and the Commission reserves the right to limit presentation times or impose further restrictions, as necessary.

**Alberta E. Mills,**

*Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission.*

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#### CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

##### 16 CFR Part 1408

[Docket No. CPSC–2019–0020]

#### Safety Standard for Residential Gas Furnaces and Boilers; Notice of Opportunity for Oral Presentations

**AGENCY:** Consumer Product Safety Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking; opportunity for oral presentation.

**SUMMARY:** The Consumer Product Safety Commission (Commission or CPSC) will be providing an opportunity for interested parties to make oral presentations on the notice of proposed rulemaking (NPR) the Commission issued regarding a safety standard for residential gas furnaces and boilers. Presentations will be part of the rulemaking record.

**DATES:** A hybrid hearing will be held in person at CPSC's headquarters and remotely via webinar and will begin at 10 a.m. Eastern Standard Time (EST) on February 21, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** This hearing will be held as a hybrid hearing—in person at CPSC's headquarters and remotely via webinar. For individuals attending in person, the meeting will be held at CPSC's headquarters, located at 4330 East West Highway, 4th Floor—Hearing Room, Bethesda, MD 20814. Individuals who plan to attend the meeting remotely should pre-register for the webinar at [cpsc.webex.com/cpsc/j.php?MTID=m950b2d5a6084894ff5d11b07f635114b](https://www.cpsc.gov/webex/cpsc/j.php?MTID=m950b2d5a6084894ff5d11b07f635114b). Attendance is free of charge. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. In person attendees do not need to register for the hearing. Requests to make oral presentations (in person or remotely) and the text of oral presentations and written comments should be sent by email to: [\[cpsc.gov\]\(mailto:cpsc-os@cpsc.gov\), with the subject line, “Residential Gas Furnaces and Boilers NPR; Oral Presentation.” Requests to make oral presentations—in person or remotely—and the written text of any oral presentations must be received by the Office of the Secretary no later than 5 p.m. EST on February 14, 2024. The Commission will accept written comments as well. These also must be received by the Office of the Secretary no later than 5 p.m. EST on February 14, 2024.](mailto:cpsc-os@</a></p>
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#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Background <sup>1</sup>

On October 25, 2023, the Commission published an NPR in the **Federal Register**, proposing to issue a safety standard for residential gas furnaces and boilers under the Consumer Product Safety Act (CPSA; 15 U.S.C. 2051–2089), and seeking written comments. 88 FR 73272. The proposed rule seeks to address the risk of injuries and death associated with residential gas fired central furnaces, boilers, wall furnaces, and floor furnaces (gas furnaces and boilers). To address this risk, the Commission has proposed a rule to detect and prevent dangerous levels of carbon monoxide (CO) production and leakage from residential gas furnaces and boilers.

The NPR is available at: <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2023/10/25/2023-23302/safety-standard-for-residential-gas-furnaces-and-boilers>, and CPSC staff's briefing package for the NPR is available at: <https://www.cpsc.gov/s3fs-public/Notice-of-Proposed-Rulemaking-Safety-Standard-for-Residential-Gas-Furnaces-and-Boilers-COMBINED-PDFS.pdf?VersionId=7Bj3c6EeDF78nHorx2mCER94XygwgeQV>.

##### II. The Public Hearing

The Administrative Procedure Act (5 U.S.C. 551–559) and section 9 of the CPSA require the Commission to provide interested parties with an

<sup>1</sup> The Commission voted unanimously to publish this notice.

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opportunity to submit “written data, views, or arguments” regarding a proposed rule. 5 U.S.C. 553(c); 15 U.S.C. 2058(d)(2). The NPR invited such written comments. In addition, section 9 of the CPSA requires the Commission to provide interested parties “an opportunity for oral presentation of data, views, or arguments.” 15 U.S.C. 2058(d)(2). The Commission must keep a transcript of such oral presentations. *Id.* In accordance with this requirement, the Commission is providing a forum for oral presentations concerning the proposed standard for residential gas furnaces and boilers.

To request the opportunity to make an oral presentation, see the information under the **DATES** and **ADDRESSES** sections of this notice. Participants should limit their presentations to approximately 10 minutes, excluding time for questions from the Commission or staff. To avoid duplicate presentations, groups should designate a spokesperson, and the Commission reserves the right to limit presentation times or impose further restrictions, as necessary.

**Alberta E. Mills,**

*Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

### 40 CFR Part 141

[EPA-HQ-OW-2023-0469; FRL-10857-04-OW]

### Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule; Methods Request and Webinar

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Request for public comment and notice of a public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is requesting public input on drinking water analytical methods for emerging contaminants in drinking water, particularly those listed on the agency’s Fifth Contaminant Candidate List (CCL 5), that might support monitoring under the Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule. This notice describes published drinking water analytical methods and EPA drinking water methods currently in development for the CCL and other emerging contaminants, with an expectation that some of these methods will support the sixth Unregulated Contaminant

Monitoring Rule (UCMR 6) and/or other future cycles of the UCMR program.

The agency is also announcing a virtual public meeting (via webinar) to discuss potential approaches to developing UCMR 6. The webinar will discuss the following: drinking water analytical methods and contaminants being considered, UCMR 6 sampling design, laboratory approval, and other potential aspects of the monitoring approach. The agenda will include time for brief remarks by participants who pre-register.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before April 8, 2024. *Public meeting:* The EPA will host a webinar regarding UCMR 6 development on April 17, 2024 and April 18, 2024. The same material will be presented twice. Please refer to the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for additional information on the webinar.

**ADDRESSES:** The agency invites comments on analytical methods for emerging contaminants in drinking water, particularly those listed on CCL 5, to aid in the EPA’s consideration of methods to support UCMR monitoring. Comments should refer to Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OW-2023-0469 and may be submitted by any of the following options:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:*

<https://www.regulations.gov/> (preferred). Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

- *Mail:* U.S. Environmental

Protection Agency, EPA Docket Center, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water Docket, Mail Code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20460.

- *Hand Delivery or Courier:* EPA Docket Center, WJC West Building, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20004. The Docket Center’s hours of operations are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday (except Federal Holidays).

*Instructions:* All material submitted must include the Docket ID for this rulemaking. Comments received by the EPA (regardless of how they are submitted) may be posted without change to <https://www.regulations.gov/>, including any personal information provided. For detailed instructions on sending comments, see the “Public Participation” heading of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this document.

Registration information for the UCMR 6 “pre-proposal” webinar can be found at <https://www.epa.gov/dwucmr/unregulated-contaminant-monitoring-rule-ucmr-meetings-and-materials>. The webinars will begin at 11:00 a.m.

eastern time and will conclude at 5:00 p.m. eastern time on the scheduled dates. Refer to the “Public Participation” heading of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section below for additional information if you would like to sign up to make remarks during the webinar.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Brenda Bowden, Standards and Risk Management Division, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water (MS 140), Environmental Protection Agency, 26 West Martin Luther King Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45268; telephone number: (513) 569-7961; or email address: [bowden.brenda@epa.gov](mailto:bowden.brenda@epa.gov); or Will Adams, Standards and Risk Management Division, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water (MS 140), Environmental Protection Agency, 26 West Martin Luther King Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45268; telephone number: (513) 569-7656; or email address: [adams.william@epa.gov](mailto:adams.william@epa.gov).

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